

**Table B-13 Number of 1995 and 1996 science and engineering bachelor's degree recipients who have not taken courses since most recent degree, and likelihood they will take additional courses, by major field of degree: April 1997**

Major field of 1995-96 S&E bachelor's degree	Total number not taking courses since most recent degree <sup>1</sup>	Likelihood will take classes		
		Very likely	Somewhat likely	Very unlikely
All science and engineering fields.....	368,300	244,100	95,300	29,000
Major type				
Total science.....	295,400	198,800	74,300	22,400
Total engineering.....	72,900	45,300	21,000	6,600
Major field				
Computer and information sciences.....	29,400	16,600	10,000	2,800
Life and related sciences, total.....	56,200	39,800	11,500	4,800
Agricultural and food sciences.....	9,100	4,500	3,000	S
Biological sciences.....	40,800	30,400	7,400	3,100
Environmental life sciences including forestry sciences.....	6,200	5,000	S	S
Mathematical and related sciences.....	14,200	9,900	3,100	S
Physical and related sciences, total.....	13,300	9,000	3,600	700
Chemistry, except biochemistry.....	6,400	4,100	2,000	S
Earth sciences, geology, and oceanography.....	4,600	3,100	1,100	S
Physics and astronomy.....	2,300	1,700	500	S
Other physical sciences.....	S	S	S	S
Psychology.....	62,900	45,600	13,200	4,000
Social and related sciences, total.....	119,500	77,900	32,800	8,800
Economics.....	22,300	13,700	6,400	2,200
Political science and related sciences.....	39,500	27,700	8,800	3,000
Sociology and anthropology.....	37,900	22,400	12,800	S
Other social sciences.....	19,800	14,100	4,800	S
Engineering, total.....	72,900	45,300	21,000	6,600
Aerospace and related engineering.....	1,700	1,200	400	S
Chemical engineering.....	7,000	4,400	1,700	900
Civil and architectural engineering.....	13,600	7,400	4,600	1,500
Electrical, electronic, computer and communications engineering.....	20,400	12,600	6,300	1,600
Industrial engineering.....	4,100	2,800	1,000	S
Mechanical engineering.....	18,500	12,000	5,100	S
Other engineering.....	7,700	4,900	1,900	S

<sup>1</sup>Most recent degree as of the survey reference period, April 1997.

**KEY:** S = Data with weighted values less than 100 or unweighted sample sizes less than 20 are suppressed for reasons of data reliability.

**NOTES:** Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

These estimates on recent college graduates are obtained from a sample survey of individuals whose most recent bachelor's master's degree is in a science or engineering field and may differ from degree counts presented in other SRS publications.

**SOURCE:** National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Studies, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 1997